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OUTLINES.

The Navy Department has no official advices that Admiral Dewey's health is giving way under the climate and the severe strain he has been subjected to at Manila. —— The Pope continues to improve. —— All is quiet at Manila and Iloilo. —— Gen. Wood denies sensational statements from Santiago. —— Ed. F. Bogert, postmaster at Wilkesbarre, Pa., arrested for tampering with the mails. —— Design for the statue to be erected over the grave of Miss Winnie Davis has been approved. —— Millions of fish were frozen to death in the North Carolina sounds during the recent blizzard. —— Robbers attempted to raid the town of Noel, in Missouri; one was killed and another arrested by citizens. —— Mrs. Margaret E. Cody convicted of attempt to blackmail George and Helen Gould. —— The Tenth immunes, negro regiment, passed through Raleigh; their progress to Weldon marked by rioting and shooting at private houses and school children; several men were wounded; their officers had no control over them. ——New York markets: Money on call steady at 2½@3 per cent., last loan being at 3 per cent.; cotton quiet, middling uplands 6 9-16c; flour was inactive and steadier; wheat—spot steady; No. 2 red 83½c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 42½@44½c; oats—spot firm; No. 2 33½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine steady.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 9.

Temperature: 8 A.M., 39 deg.; 8 P.M., 54 deg.; maximum, 59 deg.; minimum, 37 deg.; mean, 28 deg.

Rainfall for the day, 0; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .05.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., 25 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—For North Carolina—Increasing cloudiness; probable rain; fresh to brisk south to east winds.

Port Almanac—March 10.

Sun Rises	6.20 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.01 P. M.
Day's Length	11 H. 41 M.
High Water at Southport	7.01 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	10.31 P. M.

A Kentucky farmer has a tree which, during the late cold snap, produced a crop of frozen blackbirds.

The Devil's Isle, where Dreyfus is held prisoner, wasn't called after the old sure-enough devil, but after a totally depraved prisoner who used to give the guards a devil of a time.

Chicago's "Jack, the Hair Clipper," is in jail on three indictments, for want of a $12,000 bond. Chicago does not propose to encourage the hair-cutting business without license.

Several of the wheat growing States of the West are helping their farmers to fight the binding twine Trust. They have established twine factories to be operated by their penitentiary convicts.

Some one complains that the Americans spend $20,000,000 a year on amusements. There may be some ground for complaint, but there is no money spent by the American people out of which they got so much fun.

The Chicago lawyer who claims that he orignated the idea of the "pneumatic conveyors," used by the Postoffice Department, and wants the Government to reciprocate by paying him $20,000,000, puts a respectable valuation on his thinks.

It is said that China has the fastest vessel afloat. She has made a speed of 42.26 miles per hour in a trial run. If the Chinese had a lot of these during the unpleasantness with Japan, they could have gotten away from the Japs quicker and easier.

The man who invented the silk hat, sometimes known as the "plug" or "stovepipe" in this country, achieved temporary fame. When he appeared in the streets of London under one of them, January 16, 1797, it caused a riot, because it was calculated "to frighten timid people" and got him in jail.

The New York Supreme Court has decided that when a horse standing by a sidewalk bites a person passing by the owner is responsible for damages, without proof that the horse is vicious. The fact of the biting should be proof enough of that. We have some of that kind of horses in this city.

A lady from Illinois discovered a sure preventive of the tick which troubles cattle. She painted her herd of forty cows with a solution of paris green. It proved a dead sure thing on the ticks, and also on all the cows but two, as she had failed to take the precaution of posting them on her trick, and they licked themselves as usual.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. Michael Schenck went to Richmond last night.

— Mr. Alfred Tyre, of Washington, is registered at The Orton.

— Dr. L. Hussey, of Warsaw, was a welcome visitor in the city yesterday.

— Mr. W. A. Farling, of Elizabeth City, arrived in the city last night.

— Mr. Lindsey Walker, of Town Creek, was one of the welcome visitors to the city yesterday.

— Rev. B. B. Culbreth, pastor of Bladen Street M. E. Church, went to Goldsboro yesterday.

— Mrs. Daniel H. Penton is spending some time in Richmond, Va., the guest of friends and relatives.

— Miss Sunie Sanders, of Beaufort, is the guest of her brother Mr. W. L. Sanders, on Sixth street.

— Mrs. W. I. Daggett left yesterday afternoon for Newberry, S. C., the guest of her daughter, Mrs. J. E Norwood.

— Bruce Williams, Esq., of Burgaw, spent several hours in the city yesterday, returning from Pender court.

— Messrs. E. E. Groom and Wm. H. Gannon, government steamboat inspectors of Charleston, were in the city yesterday on official business.

— Mr. H. L. Fry, assistant chief engineer, and Mr. Geo. M. Rose, attorney for the A. and Y. road, arrived here from Fayetteville last night.

— Mr. Jno. Scott, of Munice, Mich., who has been in the city several weeks, the guest of his brother, Mr. Robt. Scott, left for his home yesterday.

— Mr. J. C. Cotten, of Washington, who has been visiting in the city the past several days left last night for his home, much to the regret of his many friends.

Mr. W. J. Whitall, of Worcester, Mass., who has been spending several weeks at Scott's Hill, the guest of Mr. J. T. Foy, passed through the city yesterday returning home.

— Miss Alma Brown left last night for a ten days' trip to New York and Baltimore to assist in purchasing new Spring and Summer goods for Mr. Geo. O. Gaylord's Racket Store.

— Mrs. J. R. Williamson, Master H. D. Williamson and Mr. S. E. Memory, who came to the city to attend the Grady-Culbreth marriage, left for their homes in Whiteville yesterday afternoon.

— Solicitor Rodolph Duffy returned from Pender Court yesterday. He will go to Kenansville Monday to attend Duplin Court, which will be convened on that date by Judge Timberlake.

— Mrs. W. W. Blair, Miss Julia Daggett and Mr. Jos. C. Cotton, the latter of Washington, spent Tuesday and Wednesday of this week in Southport, the guests of Mrs. Leslie Worthington.

— Mr. Chas. E. Brewer, who was a member of Company K, Second regiment, N. C. V., left yesterday for Norfolk, where it is understood he will stand the required examination and enter the navy.

— Miss Sallie J. Davis, who has been visiting her uncle, Mr. J. F. Garrell, will return to her home in Marion, S. C., this afternoon. Many friends she has made while here regret her departure.

— Mr. S. F. Johnson, travelling salesman for Brown Bros. Co., tobacco manufacturers of Winston, with headquarters in Wilmington, arrived in the city yesterday, having spent several weeks with his family in Winston.

— Rev. T. Bright, of Murphy, N. C., a station in Western North Carolina, has been in the city for several days soliciting funds for raising a debt from the Baptist Church in that town. He will preach for Rev. F. H. Farrington at Southside Baptist Church Sunday night.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

J. E. Cowell—Removal.
M. F. Dowling—To the public.
S. W. Sanders—Two days only.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

J. E. Rue—Make money.
John Knight—Fine roses.

Fine Beef Cattle.

Mr. G. E. Tilley, the enterprising manager of the Palace Market, yesterday afternoon called the attention of a STAR reporter to two of as fine beef cattle as have been exhibited in Wilmington for many a day. They were brought to the city yesterday from Sampson county especially for the Palace Market and weighed 1,560 and 1,450 pounds respectively. They will be slaughtered and dressed for the market this afternoon, ready for Saturday's big trade.

Our Seaside Resorts Complimented.

The February number of the *S.A.L. Magundi* contains an excellent cut of the Seashore Hotel on Wrightsville beach and also one showing a section of the veranda of Oceanic Hotel on Carolina beach. The same issue contains an excellent article descriptive of the many advantages of these popular seaside resorts, declaring them two of the most attractive and deservedly popular seaside on the Atlantic seacoast.

New Piques—white and colored—are shown at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

MANY NEW BUILDINGS

The Year 1899 Will Doubtless be a Record-Breaker in Building Circles.

AN AUTHORITATIVE ESTIMATE

Extensive Work Now in Progress—Other Buildings in Contemplation—Bear Bros.' Plans — The Solomon Block—The French Store.

A gentleman whose intimacy with the building interests of Wilmington makes him an especially high authority, told a STAR reporter yesterday that more money would be expended in the erection of new buildings in this city during this Spring and Summer than during any corresponding period in many years.

Quite a number of contracts have already been let and the work is well under way; plans for others are in the hands of the contractors for bids, and the several architects of the city are busy preparing designs and specifications for many others, which will be built as the season advances. The gentleman referred to said that the total cost of buildings, of his own knowledge, in course of construction in various parts of the city is $84,400, and this does not include very many tenements and other buildings.

Yesterday the STAR announced that plans would be ready to-day for estimates for the erection of a large two-story building by Messrs. Morris Bear & Bros., corner of Princess and Second. Architect McMillen completed the specifications yesterday and the contract will be awarded very soon. It will be two stories, fronting 42 feet on Princess street and 58 feet on Second street. The Princess street front will be of pressed brick with brownstone trimmings. There will be two store rooms on the first floor.

Last night Mr. Zachary, of the firm of Zachary & Zachary, Raleigh, arrived in the city to look after his interests as a bidder for the contract to erect the splendid new building for Messrs. S. & B. Solomon, extensive wholesale and retail merchants, the contract for the erection of which will be awarded to-day. Among the other bidders are W. P. Rose, Raleigh; D. Gatez & Co., L. H. Vollers, T. Pressen and J. E. Moore, the latter of Columbia, S. C.

The cost of the building will be $10,000. The plans were drawn by Architect H. E. Bonitz and the site is on Front street between Market street and Burr & Bailey's alley.

Yesterday salesmen in the S. & B. Solomon establishment were busy moving goods from a wing of their present corner building, so that that section of it can be torn away to give place to the new structure. The fact is, as soon as the new building is completed the three-story store building on the corner of Market and Front streets, will be remodelled and greatly beautified. The contract to be awarded today is for a three-story building fronting 53 feet on Market street and running back 55 feet on Burr & Bailey's alley. The front is to be of pressed brick, with handsomely designed metal cornices and plate glass windows and street floor fronts. The work is to commence on the 20th inst., and the building is to be ready for occupancy by July 1st.

As previously announced, the work of tearing away the two-story building, corner Front and Princess, recently occupied by I. H. Weil & Co., preparatory for the erection of a handsome three-story store and office building, by Messrs. Geo. R. French & Sons, will begin next week and the contract for the new building will be awarded at once with the stipulation that it shall be ready for occupancy by the early Fall.

Mr. Gatez, the contractor for the erection of the new Masonic Temple, is expected here within the next few days to begin the work of construction. It is expected that Mr. Gatez will bring few workmen with him from Knoxville, his purpose being to employ a large per cent. of local labor.

Young Hebrew Merchant Insane.

A commission *de lunatico enquirendo*, composed of Justices McGowan, Fowler and Dr. W. D. McMillan, was assembled yesterday to inquire into the lunacy of Mr. S. Rosenthal, a well known Hebrew furniture dealer, who has for some time conducted a store on Dock street. Mr. Rosenthal's hallucination is that he is very wealthy, and that he has a wife and child, which are concealed from him. Drs. A. H. Harriss and W. J. H. Bellamy were introduced as expert witnesses, and after weighing all the circumstances the commission decided that he was insane and recommended that he be sent to the Eastern Hospital at Raleigh. Herbert McClammy, Esq., and A. J. Marshall, Esq., appeared as attorneys in the case.

County Bills Audited.

The new county Board of Audit and Finance was in session several hours yesterday afternoon examining bills against the county for February. The board, as at present constituted, is composed of Col. Roger Moore and Messrs. D. McEachern and Gabriel Holmes; the two last named being the members recently added to the Board by the Legislature. The report of County Treasurer H. McL. Green was approved, as were also a number of small bills for current expenses. Ninety eight coupons of the $100 series, amounting to $245, which had been paid, were burned.

CASE OF SMALLPOX.

Discovered Yesterday by Dr. McMillan at Residence of Mr. W. S. Warrock on Second Street.

The STAR stated yesterday morning that the health authorities had under strict surveillance what they thought would develop into a case of smallpox. Yesterday about noon Dr. McMillan, Superintendent of Health, and Drs. C. P. Wertenbaker and A. H. Harriss, visited the suspected patient, Mr. Lewis W. Warrock, at the home of his uncle, Mr. W. S. Warrock, No. 309 South Second street, and after a careful examination pronounced it a genuine case of smallpox. Dr. T. S. Burbank, the attending physician, then turned the case over to Dr. Wertenbaker, of the Marine Hospital, who has wide experience with infectious diseases, and a quarantine was promptly established by Dr. McMillan, and all those who had been in contact with the patient were either vaccinated or detained.

Mr. Warrock is flagman on the Atlantic Coast Line system and his run is from Rocky Mount to Charleston, S. C. Tuesday he came to the city and has since been confined to his room. The suspected case was at once discovered and precautionary measures were adopted by the health department, and it is thought there is no danger of an infection.

Messrs. T. H. Gilliken and S. C. Winner have been installed as night and day guard respectively, and the sick man is being carefully nursed. The physicians who made the examination say the case is of a mild type and will not result fatally.

Dr. Bolles, Superintendent of the City Hospital, requests the STAR to state that the patient has not been at the hospital for treatment as was currently reported yesterday.

SEWERAGE IMPROVEMENT.

Superintendent Perry Began Work Yesterday in the Southern Part of the City.

The sewerage improvement in the southern part of the city, for which an appropriation was recently made by the Board of Aldermen, was begun yesterday by Superintendent Perry under the supervision of a committee from the Board, composed of Aldermen MacRae and Hanby. Three hundred dollars was appropriated for this purpose and four extra hands and two teams have been hired to prosecute the work. An open sewer in this part of the city has been a constant menace to the public health for many years and this work has been undertaken after an extended investigation by the Sanitary Committee as to best methods for remedying the condition. Mr. Perry says he thinks the work will be completed within two weeks.

In addition to this work, Superintendent Perry also has recently made some decided improvements near corner of Fourth and Harnett streets by raising the sidewalks and grading out the gutters. At corner Fourth and Walnut streets, he also has a force of hands raising and putting in a new crossing. Other hands are engaged in opening ditches in different sections of the city.

ALLEGED EMBEZZLER TRIED.

Negro Treasurer Before Justice McGowan for Making Away With Lodge Money.

Wright Johnson, colored, treasurer of the True Vine Lodge Good Samaritans, a colored benevolent organization, was arrainged in Justice McGowan's court yesterday charged with the embezzlement of $49.80 of the lodge's funds. The prosecuting witnesses claimed that they were unable to get Johnson to report to the lodge as to its financial condition and that he at length confessed that the money was stolen from him, together with almost a like amount of his own funds. Johnson testified that he had placed the money for safe-keeping under the carpet in his house and that in his absence[s]some one had stolen it, but that he was willing to replace the same in a reasonable length of time. He mortgaged household goods sufficient to secure payment of the amount and the lodge withdrew the warrant.

Old Homestead Quartette.

The next attraction in the joint series of entertainments under the auspices of the Wilmington Lyceum and Y. M. C. A. Star Course will be The Old Homestead Quartette, which will entertain in the Auditorium on the evening of March 14th. This quartette is one of the most famous in the country and will doubtless be patronized by a large audience. The members of the troupe are Mr. Albert C. Orcutt, first tenor; Mr. Steven Baker, second tenor; Mr. Albert Meyers, baritone and Mr. Gus Kammerlee, bass. Seats can be reserved during next Monday and Tuesday.

Capt. James Gone to Atlanta.

Capt. Thomas C. James, so long and favorably known as the freight and passenger agent of the C. F. & Y. V. railroad before its sale to the Coast Line, left yesterday to accept the position of Travelling Freight Agent for the Associated Railways with headquarters at Atlanta. The family will remain in Wilmington for the present, but Capt. James will enter at once upon the duties of his office and will be away for a greater portion of the time. His hosts of friends here will regret to hear of his removal, but will at the same time congratulate him upon the deserved promotion.

The largest line of New Silks in the city are shown at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

LOCAL DOTS.

— Ed. Smith, colored, was fined $5 yesterday by the Mayor for drunkenness and disorderly conduct.

— Tug *Harlan* with Standard Oil Co.'s barge in tow, hence for Charleston, S. C., broke down at Southport.

— The steamer *Driver* arrived from Fayetteville yesterday and will be detained here a short while for repairs to her boiler.

— The steamers *A. P. Hurt* and *E. A. Hawes* are expected this morning, the first named from Fayetteville and the latter from Clear Run.

— The steamer *Geo. W. Clyde* arrived from New York yesterday morning, having been delayed a couple of days on account of rough weather.

— There was nothing doing in spirits turpentine yesterday. The Savannah market, however, opened at an advance of one half cent over the previous day's quotations.

— Mr. E. J. Dale, who was injured while engaged in the work of demolishing the old First National Bank building several weeks ago, has sufficiently recovered to be out again.

— The Literature department of The North Carolina Sorosis held quite a profitable meeting yesterday afternoon. The programme as published in Tuesday's STAR was successfully rendered.

— The "Nantucket" Barber Shop, with the "Old Salt," Commodore Cowell, in command, has been removed to Second street, corner of Purcell Alley, where everything has been fitted up in nice style.

— W. A. Kennedy, formerly assistant foreman at fire station No. 1, has been transferred to station No. 2 as Foreman to succeed ex-Foreman M. F. Dowling. H. L. Peterson succeeds Kennedy as Assistant Foreman of No. 1.

— A small tenement house on North Seventh street, owned by G. W. Hughes and occupied by T. J. Ashley, was slightly damaged by fire yesterday afternoon. The alarm was sent in at 4.26 o'clock from box 18. A spark from the chimney was the cause and the damage was not more than $2.00.

— Parties who came to the city on the Northern train last night reported the sudden death from heart disease of a Southern railway freight conductor near Contentnea yesterday morning. His lifeless body was found on top of one of the cars of his train, when it arrived at the above named station.

THERE IS STILL STRONG OPPOSITION.

New Sanitarium to Open in Kerchner Residence Over Protest of Neighboring Resident Property Owners.

The announcement in yesterday's STAR to the effect that the scheme to convert the handsome Front street residence of Col. F. W. Kerchner into a high-class sanitarium would in all probability be consummated and the institution in actual operation within a week, created considerable comment, especially the statement quoted from a party who is active in the establishment of the sanitarium, that resident property owners in the vicinity of the Kerchner residence had withdrawn their heretofore determined opposition to the location of the institution in their midst.

The statement is positively denied as the following communication received in this office yesterday will show to-wit.:

The Morning Star, City:

The undersigned, resident owners of property on South Front street, are greatly surprised by the statement in the MORNING STAR of the 9th, that all opposition to the proposed sanitarium in their neighborhood has been removed. On the contrary, we wish to state publicly and emphatically that such an institution on the premises referred to would be very obnoxious to us for reasons already well known, and that its establishment would be in direct violation of a city ordinance, which expressly forbids it.

JAMES SPRUNT,
J. M. FORSHEE,
W. I. GORE,
C. H. ROBINSON,
MRS. W. T. DAGGETT,
GEO. HONNET.

Wilmington, N. C., March 9th, 1899.

Mr. James Sprunt in speaking of the matter yesterday said that while he and the others who join him in the protest against the sanitarium have the very kindliest feeling personally for Col. Kerchner and Miss Vogt and the noble work in which she is engaged, they do protest against the opening of such an institution in their midst and will fight it to the utmost.

Certain members of the City Board of Aldermen told a STAR reporter that the permit granted for the erection of the addition to the Kerchner residence was not for sanitarium purposes, the permit being specifically for "addition to residence." So that it would not hold good, if the change was made. The Board will insist upon the enforcement of their ordinance, requiring that the consent of resident property owners be procured before the sanitarium is opened.

One of the most interested promoters of the plan for opening the sanitarium, told a reporter last night that their plans were in no way changed by the opposition. He says they have consulted able attorneys and are advised that they cannot be effectively interfered with. He insisted, too, that the system they would adopt and the high plain on which the institution would be conducted, would make it not the least bit obnoxious to neighbors.

Come to-day and see the New Goods shown at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

NEWS FROM RALEIGH

The State Board of Agriculture Met and Elected Various Officers.

THE C. F. AND N. RAILROAD.

To be Built to Fayetteville—New Cotton Mill—North and South Carolina Railway—Insurance Commissioner Young—Negro Troops.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 9.

Insurance Commissioner Jas. R. Young was sworn in yesterday before Judge Brown, and this morning he assumed the duties of his office. His office will be in the Capitol, on the third floor. Mr. W. W. Wilson, of this city, will be his chief clerk. As soon as he can close out his business at Henderson Mr. Young will reside here.

A recruiting station for enlistment in the regular army will be opened here at once by Maj. Chas. L. Davis, U. S. A.

Twenty cars carrying the Tenth Immunes, colored, from Macon to Washington, passed here this morning over the Seaboard. The train ran in two sections. These troops have been mustered out.

C. F. and N. Railroad.

The Cape Fear and Northern railroad will, it is announced, be built on to Fayetteville. Some twenty miles have been completed at the Apex end of the road, and trains will be run over it next week regularly.

Work will begin at once, Col. John S. Cunningham says, on the $100,000 cotton mill incorporated by the Legislature just adjourned. Much of the brick to be used has already been burned. The mill will be completed sometime during the Fall.

The survey of the North and South Carolina Railroad, chartered by the recent Legislature, has been commenced. This road will run from Virgilina, on the North Carolina-Virginia line, through the State by way of Roxboro and Wadesboro, to South Carolina. At present it will probably be built only from Virgilina to the copper mines in Caswell county. There is already a large force of hands employed at these mines and much ore is ready for shipment. It is proposed to erect a smelting furnace at the mines, the nearest furnace of the kind now being in New Jersey.

Board of Agriculture.

The State Board of Agriculture met this afternoon at 4 o'clock for the purpose of electing the various officers of the Agricultural Department and to transact such business as may be deemed necessary.

The following are the newly elected members of the board: Col. John S. Cunningham, of Person; Mr. S. L. Hart, of Edgcombe; Col. J. B. Grimes, of Pitt; Mr. R. H. Jones, of Wake; Mr. Dill, of Jackson; Mr. Bunch, of Guilford; Mr. J. W. Bailey, of Wake; Mr. J. A. Stephens, of Wayne; Mr. A. T. McCallum, of Robeson; Mr. W. D. Smith; Mr. W. A. Heart, of Bertie; Mr. G. W. R. Weston, Buncombe; Mr. Luther Waugh, of Surry; J. B. Coffield, of Martin.

The following is the list of the officers in the department:

Secretary and auditor to Board, resident inspector, resident inspector's clerk, five itinerant inspectors, mailing clerk, assistant mailing clerk, janitors, usher to museum, curator to museum, State chemist, four assistant State chemists, clerk to Analytical Department, two stenographers and typewriters, night watchman, engineer, immigration agent, clerk to immigration agent.

The Board of Agriculture organized by electing Col. John S. Cunningham chairman and Mr. T. B. Bruner secretary. Mr. Bruner's term of office begins June 15th, the day the term of J. L. Ramsey, the present clerk, expires. No other officers were elected to-day. The per diem of members is fixed at $4.00 during the actual sitting of the board and not while on the way to and from the meetings.

Died at Rex Hospital.

Representative Trotman, of Gates, died at Rex Hospital this morning at 12.55, of pneumonia. His death was not unexpected, as he had been unconscious since Tuesday and the physicians had given up all hope.

Mr. Trotman was taken sick with the grip week before last and took to his bed a week before last Sunday. It developed into pneumonia and he was removed to Rex Hospital last Friday, where he was given the best attention possible by physicians and skilled nurses. His daughter, Miss Hattie, arrived here last Monday and was a constant attendant at his bedside. Mr. Trotman was about 60 years of age and made a faithful Representative. It was known among the members of the Legislature yesterday that the end was near and under the last resolution passed by the Legislature $100 is available to defray the funeral expenses.

The body was taken home this morning on the 11.45 Seaboard Line train.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

Nearly all the members of the Legislature have left the city. In all 2071 bills were introduced at this session. The largest number ever before known was 1889 in 1897.

It is expected that the Supreme Court will hear argument in the penitentiary suit next Tuesday. If Capt. Day wins he will be unable to get money to run the penitentiary.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—6 bales cotton, 5 barrels tar.

W., C. & A. Railroad—277 bales cotton, 69 barrels rosin, 53 barrels tar, 7 barrels crude turpentine.

Carolina Central Railroad—4 barrels tar, 4 barrels crude turpentine.

C. Larkins' Flat—2 casks spirits turpentine, 24 barrels tar.

Steamer Driver—30 barrels rosin, 81 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 283 bales; spirits turpentine, 2 casks; rosin, 99 barrels; tar, 167 barrels; crude turpentine, 15 barrels.

New Spring Goods, in endless varieties, at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

New Crapons and Black Goods are shown at The C. W. Polvogt Co. †

A PRETTY "BAL MASQUE."

Given Last Night by Ladies of Harmony Circle — Characters Impersonated and Prizes Awarded.

The ladies of Harmony Circle gave a brilliant *Bal Masque* last night in their apartments in MacRae building. There were well nigh a half hundred dancers, the music was delightful and the masks of the merry participants made a grotesque yet, withal, pretty scene.

Among the most noticeable disguises were Uncle Sam, Ice Cream Vender, Two-faced Woman, Chinaman, Nickle in the Slot, Wounded Soldier, Red Cross Nurse, Teddie Roosevelt, Colonel of Rough Riders, Indian, Japanese, Bride and Groom, Waiters, Clown, Salvation Army Lassie, Queen of Hearts, School Girls, etc.

At 10.30 o'clock the dancers all unmasked, and handsome prizes were awarded those whose disguises were deemed the best. The judges were Mr. Sam Bear, Jr., Mr. I. H. Weil and Mr. I. M. Bear. Prizes were awarded as follows:

First Ladies' Prize—Mrs. Addie Macks, impersonating an *Ice Cream Vender*.

Second Ladies' Prize—Miss Lee Bear, impersonating a *Two-faced Woman*.

First Gentleman's Prize—Mr. Jake Solomon, representing *Uncle Sam*.

Second Gentleman's Prize—Mr. Ike Bear, Sr., impersonating *a Chinaman*.

When the prizes had all been awarded and the merriment incident thereto had somewhat subsided dancing was resumed and continued until a late hour with an intermission about midnight, during which a delicious supper was served. The special committee in charge of the *Bal Masque* consisted of Mr. I. W. Solomon, Mr. Henry Bear and Mr. Julius Taylor. The music was by the Boston String Band.

LIST OF LETTERS

Remaining Uncalled For in the Wilmington Postoffice March 9th, 1899.

WOMEN'S LIST.

Georgeanna Beatty. Mary Cession, Anna Cruchfield. Annie Dobser. G A Howard, Ether Heneary. Marion Keyward. W R Lewis. M H Parker. Chas Rankin, J A Ruth. Maggie Sadberry, J H Strunger, Hannah Skipper. Bessie Tomlinson. Jane Williams, A L Williams.

MEN'S LIST.

Percy S Anderson, W E Anderson, Jr. Baker Brown, John Bruw, Hilliard Butler, W H Boney. A P Carteret, J P Campbell, Edward Cavonay, Frank Carter. B L Dozier, Loney Dangerfield, W P Duncan. John Granger, M P Gatling, Walter Gask. J S Holliday (2), James Hopkins, Carie Hardy. Henry Johnson, Louis Johnson, W M Jordan. C C Morse, D S McRae. Devane H Nash. Thomas Pike (2), R S Pierce, Owen Pridgen, Mr and Mrs G E Pope. Lawrence Roper. Walter Shelvey, Alexander Sonter, Ely Simpson. Tobacco Mfg Co, C Thomas & Sons. James Weston, Chas Wilkinson, H J Williams, Alfred White.

RETURNED FROM DEAD LETTER OFFICE.

Rebecca Hall, B B McClemmon, Molly Pierce, Charley Brice.

Persons calling for above letters will please say advertised. If not called for in fifteen days they will be sent to the dead letter office.

WM. H. CHADBOURN, Postmaster.

SOLDIER INJURED.

Private Holmes Struck With a Bottle by Private Foster at Fort Caswell.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

SOUTHPORT, N. C., March 9.—Last night in a drunken brawl at the canteen at Fort Caswell, private Duncan S. Holmes was struck with such violence on the forehead with a beer bottle by private Foster, that his skull was fractured. Dr. Archer, post surgeon, has given Holmes careful attention and hopes to bring him through, although he has been unconscious most of the day.

Mr. J. D. Southerland Dead.

Mrs. J. J. Kelly went to Kenansville yesterday in response to a telegram announcing the death of her father, Mr. J. D. Southerland, which occurred yesterday forenoon. The deceased was quite a prominent and highly esteemed citizen of Kenansville and Duplin county, he having served terms as clerk of the Superior Court and filled other offices of trust. He was about 63 years of age. Mrs. Kelly is expected to return to the city to-morrow.

— The regular, *bona fide* circulation of THE MORNING STAR is much larger than that of any other daily newspaper published in Wilmington.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Removal.

J. E. COWELL has removed his Barber Shop to Second street, between Market and Princess, corner Purcell alley. ma 10 tf

Fourth Ward Candidates.

The Voters of this Ward are urged to support

CHARLES W. WORTH
and
JOHN H. HANBY

for Aldermen, at the Primary Election. ma 9 4t

For Two Days Only | At The Unlucky Corner,

Norton Yam Potatoes, 15c peck.
Smoked Beef Tongues, 25c each.
Springfield Hams, . . 12 1-2c lb.

A Good Heavy Wagon Horse for sale.

Riverton Bribs have arrived.

S. W. SANDERS, 'Phone 109.
ma 10 tf

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

JOHNSON'S
Great Sale Continues.
Entire Stock
AT COST
Don't Miss This Chance for Splendid Bargains.
No. 111 Market Street.
fe 26 tf

Vollers & Hashagen.
PROVISIONS.
"Q" BRAND FLOUR
Has an immense sale. Try it and increase your business.

The sale of Cigars increases, and we still offer
Cuban Blossoms,
Renown,
Topical Twist.
If your trade languishes try any above brands and you will regain it.

Dealers in
HOG PRODUCTS,
Canned Meats,
Lard, &c.
fe 19 tf Nutt street, A. C. L. Crossing.

TO THE PUBLIC.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 9, 1899.

In the morning papers giving an account of the action of the Board of Aldermen in the case against me, Alderman Skelding is quoted as stating to the Board, "That as Chairman of the Fire Committee, he had sent a message to Mr. Dowling that the Board of Aldermen would meet, etc," and that I had replied that Mr. Skelding and the Board could go to h—l.

This account is entirely in keeping with the action of the Fire Committee against me, especially so when I was informed by Mr. Skelding a week or two ago that if I went to Raleigh to present resolutions passed at a meeting of the Laborers' Union, for that offence he would ask for my resignation.

Frank Swann and Walter Hudson informed me on yesterday that Alderman Skelding had authorized them to bring me a message that I would be tried. Neither Swann or Hudson are officers in the employment of the City Government and are in no way connected with the city as officers. I consulted my attorney in regard to the matter, and after asking me if Mr. Skelding had given me written notice, or had seen me personally about the trial, or if I had received summons from the Mayor or Chief of the Fire Department or Chief of Police, or any other officer of the city, to which interrogatories I replied that I had not, I was then advised by him not to attend the meeting as no official notice had been served upon me and no notice of any charges preferred.

The answer I am quoted as giving Alderman Skelding I admit I returned to Mr. Skelding and intended it for him personally, but I further pronounce the statement unqualifiedly as false if I was represented as having referred to the Board of Aldermen. I have too high a regard for the personnel of the present Board to refer to them as I did to Alderman Skelding. And the question of mis-representation rests now either with Alderman Skelding or his henchmen, Frank Swann and Walter Hudson. I am willing and anxious to appear before the Board of Aldermen at any time they will give me a hearing stating their charges against me, and if I cannot satisfactorily explain them away then I am willing for them to do with me as they see fit. But hear both sides gentlemen, before you render your verdict.

Very truly yours,
M. F. DOWLING.
mar 10 1t

REMOVAL.

I beg to announce to my friends and customers that I have removed my Fruit and Confectionery store from 120 to 204 Princess street, second door from the corner of Second, where I will be glad to welcome you one and all.

I have added a line of Fine Cigars to my stock, and will carry constantly a

CHOICE ASSORTMENT OF
Candies, Fruits, Cigars, etc.

I am better equipped than ever for manufacturing choice Candies. I will gladly welcome you to my new store.

Yours, very truly,
J. W. PLUMMER, Jr.
ma 9 3t

NOTICE.

The Inspectors for the Primary on Monday, March 13th, and the Registrars and Inspectors for the regular election on Thursday, March 23rd, are notified to meet at the City Hall, Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock, to qualify and receive instructions and obtain Registration books.

WM. STRUTHERS,
City Clerk and Treasurer.
ma 9 2t

Alderman from Second Ward.

By request of many voters of the Second Ward, we nominate W. H. Sprunt as a candidate at the Primary for Alderman of that ward.

B. G. WORTH.	W. E. WORTH.
JNO. F. DIVINE.	R. D. CROMLY.
T. M. EMERSON.	P. DONLAN.
MATT J. HEYER.	OWEN F. LOVE.
JAS. I. METTS.	J. C. MUNDS.
WILLIAM CALDER.	GABRIEL HOLMES.
H. G. SMALLBONES.	W. J. WOODWARD.

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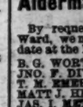
D. O'CONNOR.
Real Estate Agent, Wilmington, N. C.

DWELLINGS, STORES AND OFFICES FOR RENT.
Houses and Lots for sale on easy terms. Rents, Taxes and Insurance attended to promptly. Money loaned on Improved ma 10 tf

Aldermen for Second Ward.

At the solicitation and recommendation of friends H. P. West and Wm. H. Springer are placed in nomination for Aldermen of the Second Ward, subject to Democratic primary. mar 4 tf

PUBLISHER'S ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE MORNING STAR, the oldest daily newspaper in North Carolina, is published daily except Monday, $5.00 year, $2.50 for six months, $1.25 for three months, 50 cents for one month to mail subscribers. Delivered to city subscribers at the rate of 45 cents per month for any period from one month to one year.

ADVERTISING RATES (DAILY)—One square one day, $1.00; two days, $1.75; three days, $2.50; four days, $3.00; five days, $3.50; one week, $4.00; two weeks, $6.50; three weeks, $8.50; one month, $10.000; two months, $17.00; three months, $24.00; six months, $40.00; twelve month, $60.00. Ten lines of solid Nonpariel type make one square.

THE WEEKLY STAR is published every Friday morning at $1.00 per year, 50 cents for six months, 30 cents for three months.

All announcements of Fairs, Festivals, Balls, Hops Picnics, Society Meetings, Political meetings, &c., will be charged regular advertising rates.

Advertisements discontinued before the time contracted for has expired, charged transient rates for time actually published.

No advertisements inserted in Local Columns at any price.

All announcements and recommendations of candidates for office, whether in the shape of communications or otherwise, will be charged as advertisements.

Payments for transient advertisements must be made in advance. Known parties, or strangers with proper reference, may pay monthly or quarterly, according to contract.

Remittances must be made by Check, Draft, Postal Money Order, Express or in Registered Letter. Only such remittances will be at the risk of the publisher.

Communications, unless they contain important news or discuss briefly and properly subjects of real interest, are not wanted; and, if acceptable in every other way, they will invariably be rejected if the real name of the author is withheld.

Notices of Marriage or Death. Tributes of Respect, Resolutions of Thanks, &c., are charged for as ordinary advertisements, but only half rates when paid for strictly in advance. At this rate 50 cents will pay for a simple announcement of Marriage or Death.

Advertisements inserted once a week in Daily will be charged $1.00 per square for each insertion. Every other day, three-fourths of daily rate. Twice a week, two-thirds of daily rate.

Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge at transient rates.

Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent. extra.

Advertisements to follow reading matter, or to occupy any special place, will be charged extra according to the position desired.

The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 10, 1899.

ANNEXATION TALK.

The suggestion of the annexation of Cuba is not a new one, for it was discussed more or less before Cuba passed from under Spanish control and while the war was yet on. There were few sensible people, even among the Spaniards in Cuba, who did not believe that the result of the war would be the destruction of Spanish power in the island, and this led naturally to the discussion of what kind of government would be best for the people. While the mass of the people favored independence and government by themselves, there were others who were not prepossessed in favor of that.

Cuba is divided into classes, the more intelligent being of Spanish descent or birth, with little of the native mingling. These are the well-to-do people, and of these the majority, who sympathized with the Cuban cause or fought for it, shrink from putting their destinies in the hands of the ignorant multitude, while the Spanish sympathizers dread putting their destinies in the hands of the Cubans, whether intelligent or not. Either of these would prefer annexation to the United States as a matter of self-protection and expediency, although neither of them have much admiration for this country.

Whether this annexation sentiment has grown or not since the Spaniards have lost their hold upon the island we do not know, but there is evidently a good deal of it yet among the two classes to whom we have referred, and doubtless if the question were left to them to decide the verdict would be for annexation.

This sentiment will be encouraged, too, by the capitalists of this country who secure concessions and become interested in the development of the island and its resources, which are numerous and valuable. Native control would be an obstruction to enterprise, for those people have been reared under Spanish influences and methods, have been accustomed to getting through life as easily and with as little hustle as possible, and very few of them, even among the more intelligent, have any conception of what enterprise means. Nature has been kind to them and taking advantage of nature they have been over-indulgent to themselves. If they were a progressive race their proximity to this country and their intercourse with Americans would have imparted some vim to them, even under their tropical sun. But it didn't. American men and American money may go there, introduce American methods in business and thus the island to some extent become Americanized, but it will be a long time before the native Cuban becomes Americanized.

But we believe that the majority of the more intelligent people who have business and property interests involved, and whose prosperity depends upon the progress and prosperity of the island will soon realize that annexation will be the shortest if not the only road to progress and prosperity, and the question then will be how is that to be accomplished. There is much prejudice against Americans amongst the Cubans, as there is among nearly all the people of Spanish descent in the countries south of us, growing out of both difference of race and difference of religion, the latter being perhaps as strong if not stronger than the former. Of course there are exceptions, but the exceptions are few compared with the many who know but little of this country or of its people, and this little generally something that isn't so. This will be the principal obstacle to annexation when it comes up for serious discussion.

When it does, what are we going to do about it? There are mixed races in Cuba, and the dark skinned race is sufficiently numerous to be a dominant factor, when strength is measured by the ballot. It was the mixed race problem which kept Hawaii out, until the bold, resourceful white men who seized the Government, and established the republic, solved that by eliminating the mass of the natives as a political factor, which cleared the way for annexation. So in Cuba the ignorant mass, chiefly black, must be eliminated before annexation, looking to territorial or State recognition can come, and it isn't quite clear yet how that can be done.

But some way will doubtless be found to do it, and if the first step in annexation be effected, the rest will be comparatively easy by adopting a scheme of qualified suffrage, as is proposed for Hawaii, which would practically exclude the mass of the inhabitants from active participation in the government. We have race problems enough on hand now and we do not propose to load up with any more of them, and we think that when the annexation talk has progressed far enough and those who are interested in it get down to planning, they will devise some scheme to get around the race problem, and annexation will come in time, not remote either. The sooner this country withdraws its forces, and throws the Cubans on their own resources, the sooner it will come.

ENCOURAGING WIDE TIRES.

We referred some time ago to a bill introduced in the Legislature to encourages the use of the wide-tire on heavy draft vehicles. The result of this movement was the adoption of the following:

"Whereas, the use of wide tire vehicles on the public roads of the State, as shown by experience, will both benefit and protect these roads by packing and something the surface of the same.

"The General Assembly of North Carolina do enact:

"Section 1. That every person in the State who, during the year ending December 31st, 1899, and each succeeding year thereafter, owns and uses on the public roads of the State any wagon or other draft vehicle with tires as wide as the standard wide-tire wheels described in section two of this act, shall on the presentation of proof thereof, satisfactory to the commissioners of any county in which said wide-tire vehicles are used, be paid by the county treasurer of such county, out of the road fund of the county or township in which the same is used, each and every year, for a period of five years, a sum equal to one-half of his or her road tax: Provided, that in no case shall the amount so paid for any year be greater than two dollars on each vehicle, nor in any case shall the amount paid to any person, firm or coporation exceed the sum of five dollars: And provided, further, that in case any such person pays no road tax, he shall during each and every year, for a period of five years, be exempt from one half of the labor which under the law he may otherwise be required to expend on the public roads of the county or township in which he resides.

"Section 2. For the purposes of this Act the standard for wide-tire wagons and other draft vehicles shall be as follows: For a one horse vehicle with skeins 2½ by 8 inches or under, or spindles 1⅞ by 7 inches or under, two and one half (2½) inch tires: for two-horse vehicles (with skeins larger than 3½ by 8 inches, not over 3 by 9 inches, or with spindles more than 1⅞ by 7 inches, and not over 1¾ by 10 inches four-inch tires; and for all vehicles with skeins and spindles larger than the above, six-inch tires.

"Section 3. This act shall only apply to the following counties: Alamance, Buncombe, Edgecombe, Gaston, Forsyth, Lincoln, Mecklenburg, Moore, Orange (for Chapel Hill township only), New Hanover, Rowan, Wilson and Durham.

"Section 4. This act shall be in force from and after its ratification."

There is nothing compulsory in this, and it will be seen that it applies to but a small number of counties, those, we presume, which desired to be embraced in its provisions, but it will serve as an object lesson and if it proves satisfactory in the counties where tried, it will be an easy matter to extend its provisions so as to include more counties until the whole State is embraced.

PERPLEXING CONDITIONS.

In another article we have referred to some of the perplexing conditions which present themselves in establishing a satisfactory system of government for Cuba. One dispatch published yesterday tells of the suffering in Havana, where many thousands of poor are without food and where there are no adequate means for taking care of them, and yet while these people must be fed by charity there are nearly fifty thousand Cubans who call themselves soldiers, laying around waiting to make a pull on this Government, when they ought to be at work supporting themselves and helping to support the needy of their people,

In all the towns there are thousands of idle people who seem to think that it is the duty of the local government to give them employment, and when they are not thus employed they remain idle and clamor for money or for food, for which they are much more anxious than they are for work.

Another dispatch tells of the complaints of the Spanish residents of Santa Clara province, who say that they are persecuted by the Cubans, which is very probable, and this state of affairs may continue some time. The average Cuban hates the Spaniard, and now that Spanish power has ceased to protect the Spaniard, the Cuban thinks that he has no rights that the Cuban need respect. With the widespread pauperism and shiftless ways of the natives, and the race antipathies intensified by centuries of oppression and numerous conflicts, the task of assimilating those people and establishing a government that will ensure peace will be an exceedingly difficult one.

CHINA APOLOGIZED.

A cable dispatch published yesterday says China has apologized for the manner in which the Tsung Li Yamen rejected Italy's demand for a lease of San Mun Bay. This might have been expected, for China can apologize easier than she can do anything else. She has become so accustomed to apologizing that it comes as natural to her as falling off a log does to a turtle when he spies a boy sneaking around with a stone in his hand. The different nations that have come into contact with China have a varied assortment of apologies. The next thing in order for the Chinese Government to do would be to apologize for making a pretence to being alive.

The partition of China is now as sure a thing as the partition of Africa was, and the nations which are doing the grabbing show as little regard or respect for the Chinese as they did for the tribes in Africa. They decide on what they want, and if this does not conflict with some of the other grabbers for whose armies and navies they have respect, they soon make some pretence to get it, and get it. This is rough on old moth-eaten China, but it is solving the Chinese problem in a heroic way. What interests Americans in the game that is being played over there is how long this Government can keep out of it.

BOOK NOTICES.

The intelligent and literary reader will be interested in *Self Culture* for March, which presents a valuable list of contents, leading off with an interesting paper on "The Hawaiian Islands of the United States." Published by The Werner Company, Akron, Ohio.

The Sanitarian for March contains some valuable papers, in which not only the physician but the general reader who takes an interest in sanitary and medical subjects will be interested. Address A. N. Bell, M. D., Editor, 337 Clinton street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Laurel Winners is the title of an interesting little book, giving sketches with pictures, of American composers who have won laurels. It is neatly printed and will be valued by those who take an interest in music. Published by The John Church Company, Cincinnati, Chicago and New York.

The Southern farmer will find the *Southern Farm* Magazine for March an instructive and valuable number. The contributors to this publication are all practical men of recognized standing and without any foolishness. Published by The Manufacturers' Record Company, Baltimore.

We are indebted to Haven & Stout, Bankers and Brokers, Nassau street, New York, for a copy of their *Red Manual of Statistics*, a large and comprehensive volume that gives much information about railways and other industrial enterprises, which the dealers in railway and other stocks may find valuable.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

— Lexington *Dispatch*: During the recent snow Mr. Isisah Shoaf, of Tyro township, fearing all the rabbits would freeze to death, caught fourteen and confined them in a tobacco barn until after the snow and then turned them loose, so that he might have the pleasure of catching them again in the future.

—Clinton *Democrat*: Mr. L. T. Beatty, who bought cotton the last season at Roseboro for Messrs. Sprunt & Sons of Wilmington, died at his home near Ivahoe on Friday last. —— Mrs. Rebecca Killett died at her home in South Clinton on Wednesday evening the 1st inst., after a lingering illness. She had reached the ripe old age of eighty years.

—— Mount Olive *Advertiser:* —Much interest is manifested by our people in the results obtained by Mr. B. W. Herring in his experiments in fig culture. Mr. Herring has increased his orchard to one thousand trees and by his method of protection they escaped injury during the recent freeze. The cultivation of figs on a large scale is a new departure in this section.

—Fayetteville *Observer*: Miss Flora McPherson, aged 72, died Tuesday night at the residence of her cousin, Mr. J. A. McPherson, in 71st.—— A colored infant was smothered to death accidently on Wilmington road Tuesday night. It was reported that the child had died of starvation, but an investigation by Dr. McGougan, the county physician, showed that it had died of strangulation.

— Wilson *News:* Sheriff Sharp and Dr. Ruffin, the coroner, returned from Saratoga Tuesday night at 11 o'clock. They went, as stated in yesterday's *News*, to investigate the reported poisoning case at Saratoga. The complaint had been sworn out here before Judge Lancaster by Mr. John Thigpen, on whose land the partes live. It stated that Lucy Forbes, colored, caused the death of her husband, Irvin Forbes, by means of "Rough on Rats." Irvin Forbes was buried on Sunday, and when the coroner arrived a jury was empanelled and the grave opened. It was found that water had covered the body of to the mouth. The jury viewed the body and all the witnesses to be had were examined. The decision of the jury was that the evidence was not sufficient ta hold Lucy for court. No post mortem examition was held, as it was considered unnecessary.

— Greensboro *Record*: Greensboro has been free from the deviltry kicked up by negro soldiers since the war, but she came near getting into it today. A train load of negro soldiers passed through to-day on a special train following the train about noon. Passing Pomona one of the scoundrels fired a pistol ball through the window of the residence of W. C. Boren, narrowly missing the head of Miss Cammie Lindley, who was sitting in front of the fire. The bullet hit the window glass almost in the center, of course breaking it to pieces, and then went on, hitting an iron clock on the mantle and bounding back toward the window. The shattered glass a considerable quantity of it, fell on Mrs. Boren's chair. Had Miss Lindley been standing up the ball would have hit her on the head. —— There is a pedestrain in town, or was this afternon. His name is D. C. Wright, and he says he walked in from Summerfield today in an hour and forty-seven minutes, leaving Summerfield at 12:38 and arriving here at 2:40, a distance of twelve miles.

CURRENT COMMENT.

——Surveys of an isthmian canal are getting to be an old story. People have been making them for half a century, and it was supposed that the Government commissions sent to Central America had brought back all needed information and that it was now time for negotiations, treaties and work.—*New York Tribune, Rep.*

—— It seems that about the best thing the Cuban people could do—at once—would be to get rid of the ridiculous "assembly," which is making itself the laughing stock of everybody. The "assembly', seems to have constituted itself, and to represent nobody else. Gomez is said to have no respect for it, and it is certain that very few other persons have any.—*Savannah News, Dem.*

——"When," says the Minneapolis Times, "the voting machine is so perfected that that the business man can do his voting by pushing buttons at the side of his desk some of these gentlemen who do not vote now, but complain most grievously of the work of those who do, may mend their ways." Probably the only result of such a system would be the extension of woman suffrage. The business man would simply turn over his voting to his typewriter.—*Louisville Courier Journal, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— "An' poor Moike prayed for a peaceful ind?" "He did thot; an' he towld me t' hove two cops at th' wake t' see thot his prayers wuz answered." *Brooklyn Life.*

— Caller—"Is Mrs. Brownston at home?" Servant—"Yes'm. She'll be at home all the evening. It's my night out."—*New. York Weekly.*

—"Why is this called Lent? I see Tommy Tucker has raised his hand. Why is it, Tommy?" "'Cause it's too hard to keep."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— Mrs. Hiram — "Supposing, Bridget, I should deduct from your wages the price of all the china you broke?" Bridget Brittledish—"Well, mem. I think I'd be loike the china." —*Tit-Bits.*

— "Well," announced Mr. Perkasie to his wife, "John and Mary have taken the first steps towards divorce." "You don't mean to tell me! What on earth is the matter?" "They have got married."—*Harper's Bazar.*

— "Beg pardon, ma'am," said the Washington hotel clerk, "but what do you mean by those letters, 'M. C.,' after your name?" "Mothers' Congress,' sir," replied the majestic matron who had just registered.—*Chicago Tribune.*

—The Bride at the Grocery: "Yes, Mr. Sorghum, I'm very particular about eggs." "Quite right, mum." "You see we get one cow's milk regularly every morning, and I wanted to make an arrangement with you so that we could get the eggs of one hen."—*Cleveland Plain Dealer.*

— An Early Start; "Mammy," said Pickaninny Jim, "was George Washington first in war?" "Yass, indeed." "Well, I doesn't wanter 'sinuate dat anybody is in de same class wif George Washington, but I wants ter call 'tention to de fack dat Dewey wuz on de ground befo' de wah happened, waitin' for it."—*Washington Star.*

ODD NUMBERS IN PRICES.

Fascination of the Bargain Counters. Nine Cent Goods Sell Better Than Eight.

In speaking of special sales the other day and of the figures that seem to attract the public the most, as well as the class of customers who frequent these sales, an old and successful merchant said:

"There is a fascination in odd numbers that always draws purchasers. Now, I will call your attention to some of the marked down articles that are being sold on our bargain counter. Notice those neckties that are marked at 37½ cents, three for $1. It is an actual fact that we sold twice as many of them at 37½ cents as we would sell at 35, and we sell as many again by allowing three for $1. When a man sees them selling at 37½ cents, he naturally imagines that they are 50 cent goods, and he reasons that he can get three cheaper than he can one, so he takes three. He really does get a bargain, but he would not take it at a less attractive figure.

"Speaking of odd numbers, it is a curious fact that some are much more attractive than others. Nine cents, for intance, is one of the most attractive figures and sells more goods than 8 cents would. Thirteen and 17 cents are by no means so good as 19 cents for running off an extra line, while 21 and 23 are comparatively poor sellers. Thirty-seven and a half cents is a great favorite and better than 39 by far. Forty-nine used to be much better than it is now. I attribute the fact that it is less popular to the number of jokes that have been made upon it.

"When you get above 50 cents, people commence to look more at the real value of a thing and less at the price charged. Seventy-nine cents is a great favorite, and 99 is one of the best figures still that we have to sell at, although not so good as it used to be. It will sell, however, 25 per cent more goods than will $1."—*Washington Post.*

Nothing Broken.

A recent bride in Washington, who received many handsome pieces of glassware and china among her wedding gifts, is exceedingly proud of her treasures and has a perfect jewel of a maid, who hasn't broken a single piece. One afternoon not long ago the mistress came home and found the maid out. An hour or so later the domestic returned. Her arms were full of bundles, and she carried a basket. Her face was radiant.

"Oh," she said, "the table was perfectly lovely! It was just exactly the way you fix yours when you have company—candles and everything. It was just too sweet! Everybody thought so."

"What are you talking about?" asked the mistress.

"Why," answered the maid, "the luncheon my sister gave today. I didn't have time to ask you, but I knew you wouldn't mind. Nothing's broken." And unwrapping her bundles, she disclosed to her mistress' astonished eyes the very pick of all the cherished wedding china and glass, not to mention sundry pieces of silver. They had adorned the luncheon, and the table was "perfectly lovely."—Exchange.

He Could Steer.

A member of the crew of the Yankee tells The Electrical Review of an incident that happened aboard that vessel during the recent cruise. Said he:

"We were out at sea, and one of the boys—you know him—was doing his trick at the wheel. Commander Brownson came up alongside him and after watching him a few minutes said, 'You steer very well, my man.' Billy just saluted, being up on naval etiquette. 'Been practicing since you joined the ship?' asked Brownson. 'No, sir; I haven't been practicing much,' said Billy. 'Well, you handle this ship as if you'd steered before,' said Brownson. 'Yes, sir,' said Billy; 'I have.' 'Where?' said Brownson. 'All along the Atlantic coast,' says Billy. 'What did you steer?' says Brownson. 'My own steam yacht, sir,' says Billy. 'How big is she?' says Brownson after a pause. 'About 1,000 tons, sir,' says Billy. 'I—I see,' says Brownson. 'Thank'ee, sir,' says Billy, saluting. And the 'old man' went to his stateroom."

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NAVAL APPRENTICES.

THE BOYS ON OUR WARSHIPS AND HOW THEY ARE TRAINED.

An Experience That Tends to Make Them Dignified, Self Controlled Men, Well Qualified to Make Their Way Either Afloat or Ashore.

Apprenticeship in the United States navy is capable of making either a man or a reprobate of a boy. He is given every inducement to become a good, solid man, whether for continuation as a member of a man-of-war's ship's company or for the earning of a livelihood ashore. The officers of the American navy give the apprentice boys considerably the better of it over the bluejackets who ship as such in all that concerns their interest and advancement, and the boy who during the period that he wears the apprentice's figure of eight knot on his mustering shirt goes wrong and becomes a rowdy and a sea lawyer has only his innate cussedness to blame for it.

The whole tendency of the apprentice's training aboard an American man-of-war makes for the conversion of the lad into a dignified, self controlled, able man, a matchless seaman and a tiptop gunner, to say nothing of the substantial equipment it furnishes him for lucrative employment should he elect upon the conclusion of his apprenticeship to settle down ashore.

It is the old sailors, the men who have spent about an equal number of years in the merchant marine and in the United States navy, who possess the greatest power for good or evil in making or breaking American naval apprentices. The officers aft hold the lads with a strong rein when they have them under immediate instruction, but the boys live forward among the men, and they form their characters in the forecastle.

If the material is in them, it is bound to come out. The old time naval sailors can tell at a glance whether a just shipped boy or a boy fresh aboard a cruising man-of-war from a training ship has the "makings" of a finished sailor and a good shipmate in his composition. If their careful inspection of such a boy convinces them that the lad is worth their pains, they "go to work" on him from the very outset of his cruising career, season him with all of the practical ship and gun information that they themselves have picked up after years of experience, and thus supplement the technical education that the boy receives from the officers. The sailors who thus take a kindly interest in a boy who looks promising do not treat him with partiality, and he gets swatted about just as much as the apprentice who is a sluggard.

But the interest they exhibit in drilling sea lore into his mind and their pains in instructing him on every little valuable detail as the occasion arises plainly show that they have "got him in their minds," and observation proves that the boys who are thus picked out by the old timers up forward as being worth these efforts are the lads who get the warrant officers' blouses when their apprenticeship is over. Ask any warrant officer in the United States navy today about the struggle he had to finally attain the wearing of a sword from the wearing of a figure of eight knot, and he will begin to speak affectionately of two or three grumpy, savage old bos'n's mates or quartermasters to whom he claims he owes most of his success. It is a matter of pride with the old timers to thus boost a lad up the ladder.

From his very first day on board either a training ship or a man-of-war proper the unfledged youngster is expected to hop right out of his boyhood and to assume to all intents and purposes the full status of a man. He lives among men that have ranged the world most of their lives; he works alongside of them, and almost as much work is expected from him as from the old timers; he puts up with the same amount of hardship, toes the same mark of discipline, is quito as responsible at the mast for derelictions and just as liable to a tour in the brig in double irons for misconduct as his older shipmates, who regard the circumnavigation of the globe as a bagatelle.

The boy who at the outset of his naval life sheds a lonesome tear or two in his hammock, but who keeps up a brave front when in view of his shipmates, is the lad who may be always marked for a winner. It would be out of nature for a youngster of any sort of sensibilities whatsoever to plunge into man-of-war life, with all of its apparent rigidity at first sight, without being a bit taken aback and oppressed by the roughness of it all. The navy is composed, as a whole, fore and aft, of genuine masculine men and of deeply affectionate and unswervingly loyal men, too, when their esteem and confidence have been won, but in no environment is the parade of even the slightest suspicion of sentimentality more quickly frowned upon than upon the forward deck of a man-of-war.

From the purely physical point of view apprenticeship in the navy is a fine thing for a lad. Nine out of ten naval apprentices when they attain their majorities are strapping, rugged, brawny men, capable of enduring any amount of hardship and possessing a quality of health and soundness that is bound to see them through many ups and downs ashore should they elect to quit the sea when they reach the age of 21, which not many of them do, by the way. Of course in order to get into the navy at all the apprentice must be sound of body, but many of the lads only get into the service by narrow margins, owing to their being undersized or of no very rugged character of physical make up. Once they get to work on the decks of a man-of-war, providing there is nothing latent and constitutional the matter with them, it is amazing to see how the lads begin to spread and grow. They are put through the most exacting exercises, quite aside from their daily bit of heavy work—exercises that are designed to bring every muscle of the body into play—and the result is that they very soon begin to expand, and the steel gets into their muscles, there to remain as long as they live.

When the apprentices emerge from their apprenticeship and ship over as full fledged bluejackets at the seaman gunner rate, they are given first call in the distribution of petty officer prizes and are, as stated, eligible for the promotion to the rank of warrant officers. For these reasons apprentices are never called upon during the service as boys to perform any menial tasks on shipboard. The whole idea of naval apprenticeship in the American navy is to inculcate uprightness, dignity and manliness into the lads, for upon the character of these boys the future of the forward ends of American men-of-war is known to depend.—Philadelphia Times.

A Japanese Ceremony.

While the wedding service is proceeding in Japan the bride kindles a torch, and the bridegroom lights a fire from it and burns the wife's playthings.

— Winston *Sentinel:* The little town of China Grove, between Salisbury and Charlotte, is a hustler. They have a total population of 945. Four thousand bales of cotton were bought last year; 50,000 dozens of eggs; 100,000 chickens and 6,000 cords of wood.

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MARCH WINDS.

Far herald from the frozen north,
The green of grasses bringing,
With violets on the wayside slopes
And sounds of bluebirds singing,
How shall we joy to find thee here
When spring has slipped her tether,
Swift scattering from her, far and near,
Winds and the windy weather.

By night the wild goose phalanx lone
To polar zone is flying,
By day the killdee plover thrills
The pastures with his crying,
The white light flung from faroff skies
Drifts downward like a feather
And bending marsh grass signifies
Winds and the windy weather.

The orchard sap begins to stir
As swift the March wind passes,
The primrose and the wild flower meet
Where cool wood shadow masses,
And o'er the hills the rain and sun
Troop down the days together,
With weaving maze of blossoms spun,
Winds and the windy weather.
—Ernest McGaffey in Woman's Home Companion.

A MODERN SOLOMON.

The Dogs In an Arabian Family Made to Tell the Truth.

A recent French judgment may be cited as an illustration of Arab manners and Gallic astuteness. An Arab was traveling through the interior with his wife. He was on donkey back, and she was afoot. By came a rich Arab on horseback and offered her a lift behind him. She accepted and presently, in the course of the journey, confided that she was unhappily married. Her companion proposed a plan by which she might elope with him, and she agreed to it readily. Accordingly when they came to a branch road they increased their pace and paid no heed to the protestations of the husband, who was soon left behind. He succeeded in tracking them to the horseman's village, only to find that precautions had been taken against his arrival, for all asserted that they had known the runaway pair for many years as man and wife and that the real husband must be an impudent impostor.

The unfortunate man had recourse to the French, who were at first puzzled how to act in the face of a village's unanimous testimony. At last a happy thought occurred to the judge. He placed the real husband's dogs in one room and those of the other man in another and confronted the woman with both. Arab dogs are very faithful to their own households and very fierce toward all strangers, so, though she did her utmost to irritate her own dogs, they could not be restrained from fawning on her, and, though she lavished every blandishment toward the dogs of her new home they barked and showed their teeth with ever increasing fury. The judge thereupon ordered her to be given back to her husband, and he placarded the village with the following notice, "The testimony of one dog is here more to be believed than that of ten Arabs." As a dog is one of the Arab's worst terms of opprobrium, this notice was deemed a worse punishment than fines or imprisonment.—London Post.

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BAGGING—		
2 ℔ Jute		6
Standard		7
WESTERN SMOKED—		
Hams ℔ ℔	12	12½
Sides ℔ ℔		8
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6½	6¾
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔	6	6¼
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each	1	10
New New York, each	1	20
New City, each	1	20
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		22
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	7 00
Northern	9 00	14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	12	13
Northern	20	28
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	51	53
Virginia Meal	52	55
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	75	80
CANDLES—℔ ℔		
Sperm	18	25
Adamantine	8	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔		
Northern Factory	10½	11¼
Dairy Cream		11
State		10¼
COFFEE—℔ ℔		
Laguyra	12	16
Rio	8	16
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 lbs		70
EGGS—℔ dozen	14	16
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 50	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel	7 00	8 00
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	10
" Extra	4 25	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔		
Low grade		3 50
Choice		3 75
Straight	4 00	4 25
First Patent	4 50	5 00
GLUE—℔ ℔	7½	8½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White	53	55
Car-load, in bgs—White		50
Oats, from store	40	45
Oats, Rust Proof		45
Cow Peas	55	65
HIDES—℔ ℔		
Green salted		6½
Dry flint		10
Dry salt		7
HAY ℔ 100 lbs		
Clover Hay	50	75
Rice Straw	40	45
Eastern		75
Western		75
North River		75
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	1¾	1¾
LARD, ℔ ℔		
Northern	5	7
North Carolina	6	10½
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	1 35
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	15 00
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead		25
Barbadoes, in barrels		28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads		28
Porto Rico, in barrels		28
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	18
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	1 60	1 65
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	11	00
Rump	10	00
Prime	10	00
ROPE ℔ ℔	10	12
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		1 10
Liverpool	75	80
American	70	75
On 120 ℔ Sacks		47½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	6 50
Cypress Saps	2 50	3 50
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5⅝	5¾
Standard A	5	5¾
White Extra C	5	5¾
Extra C, Golden		5
C, Yellow		4¾
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¼	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping		9 00
Mill, Palmo		8 00
Mill, Fair		6 50
Common Mill	4 50	5 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 00	4 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	8 50
" Sap	5 00	6 00
5x24 Heart	4 50	5 00
" Sap	4 00	4 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	6 50
" Sap	5 00	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		4
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	2 00
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	10	16

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., March 9, 1899.

SCHOONERS.

Eva May, 116 tons, Wallace, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Cora M, Mitchell, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Roger Moore, 277 tons, Small, J T Riley & Co.

St Croix, 190 tons, Torrey, J T Riley & Co.

STEAMSHIPS.

Venetia (Br) 2,333 tons, MacDougal Heide & Co.

BARQUES.

Solid (Swed), Wedin, 507 tons, Heide & Co.

Mercur (Nor), 680 tons, Hansen, Heide & Co.

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WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 9.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Nothing doing.

ROSIN—Market firm at 95 cents per bbl for Strained and $1.00 for Good Strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.00 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market steady at $1.35 per barrel for Hard, $2.40 for Dip and $2.40 for Virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine quiet at 35@34½c rosin firm, at $1.25, $1.30; tar firm, $1.10; crude turpentine, nothing doing

RECEIPTS.

Spirits Turpentine	2
Rosin	99
Tar	167
Crude Turpentine	15

Receipts same day last year.—25 casks spirits turpentine, 306 bbls rosin, 320 bbls tar, 15 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 6c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	3 9-16 cts. ℔ lb
Good Ordinary	4 15-16 " "
Low Middling	5 9-16 " "
Middling	6 " "
Good Middling	6 5-16 " "

Same day last year middling 5⅞c.

Receipts—283 bales; same day last year 233.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 55 to 60c per bushel of 28 pounds; extra prime, 65c; fancy, 70c. Virginia—Extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c; Spanish, 80@90c.

CORN—Firm, 45 to 47½ cents per bushel.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 90c@$1.10; upland, 65@80c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

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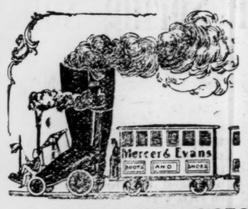

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CITY'S NEW CHARTER

Text of the Measure As It Finally Passed the General Assembly.

LAW AS TO THE PRIMARIES.

Mayor, Aldermen, Chief of Police and Executive Committeemen Only to be Voted For—Other Officers to be Chosen by Aldermen.

AN ACT TO BE ENTITLED "AN ACT TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF WILMINGTON."

The General Assembly of North Carolina Do Enact:

SECTION 1. That an Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Wilmington," ratified the 9th day of March, A. D., 1895, and also an Act entitled "An Act to Amend the Charter of the City of Wilmington," ratified the 5th day of March, A. D., 1897, be and they are hereby repealed, and all laws and clauses of laws concerning the City of Wilmington existing at the time of the ratification of the Act of March 9th, 1895, are hereby declared to be in full force and effect, except so far as they are amended by this Act.

SEC. 2. That the election of Aldermen shall be held according to the Charter of the City of Wilmington and the Acts Amendatory thereto, except that the registration books may be open for only ten days previous to the election.

SEC. 3. No member of the Board of Aldermen shall be eligible to the office of Mayor, or other city office or employment, until the expiration of the term for which such Alderman may have been elected or appointed.

SEC. 4. The Mayor of the City shall receive a salary in lieu of any and all other compensation, to be fixed by the Board of Audit and Finance, of not less than Twelve Hundred Dollars, nor more than Two Thousand Dollars per annum, which salary shall not be diminished during his term of office.

SEC. 5. No person arrested by the City Police for a violation of the laws of North Carolina or the ordinances of the City shall be brought before any other person than the Mayor for trial or submission, except upon the usual affidavit for removal now provided by law.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the Mayor to have all persons who are tramps or vagrants, as defined by the laws of North Carolina, brought before him and to notify such tramps or vagrants to find employment within twenty-four hours or leave the city; and, upon failure or refusal to do so within said time, to arrest and put them to work on the streets or other city property for a period not exceeding thirty days.

SEC. 7. The terms of the City Attorney and the City Clerk and Treasurer shall be for two years, beginning on the first Monday in April of each year in which the new Board of Aldermen are to be elected under existing laws, and shall not be removed except for cause.

SEC. 8. That Jesse Wilder, C. W. Yates, S. P. McNair, H. C. McQueen and W. A. Riach be and they are hereby appointed members of the Board of Audit and Finance, whose terms shall commence upon the expiration of the term of the members of the present Board, and shall continue for two years and until their successors are appointed.

PRIMARY ELECTIONS.

SEC. 9. That whenever the executive committee of any political party of citizens in the City of Wilmington decide to take by primary election the sense of the members of the said party as to the proper person or persons to be presented on behalf of that party to the voters of the city at an election to be held in the city, under the laws of this State, for the election of Aldermen in the several wards of the city, and as to the proper persons to be presented to the Board of Aldermen as the candidates of that party for the offices of Mayor and Chief of Police, and for the selection of the members of the city executive committee of such party, the said committee shall file a notice of the primary, with such rules for its conduct as it may adopt, not inconsistent with this act, with the City Clerk and Treasurer of said city, at least ten days before the time designated for the holding of said primary. Such notice and rules shall be signed by the chairman or acting chairman and attested by the secretary of said executive committee, and by them certified under oath to be true and correct copies of the originals adopted by a majority of said committee. Said notice shall state the places where the voters belonging to that party are requested to cast their votes for the candidates as herein stated; and there shall be only one such place designated for each ward of the city; and the day on which such primary election is to be held—not less than ten days before the city election and the hours within which it is to be held and the names of the inspectors appointed to hold such primary election and receive the votes that may be cast thereat and make report and return thereof, and the time, when such return and report shall be made to the committee directing such primary election to be held; and, also, the date at which a second primary shall be held, as hereinafter provided, in cases where no one person voted for shall have received a majority vote of those cast at the first primary. On the filing of the said notice, and, if the said committee shall have adopted rules for the conduct of said primary, upon the filing of said rules, as provided, with the city clerk and treasurer, the said officer shall immediately cause the same to be copied in a book to be kept and preserved in his office for that purpose and the said notice and rules to be published in three issues each of at least two, or more in his discretion, of the daily newspapers published in said city, under his certificate that the same were filed in his office and the primary called pursuant thereto.

SEC. 10. That no person can vote or take part in the proceedings of any primary election who is not by the laws of the State a lawful elector at the time such primary election is held.

SEC. 11. That the executive committee appointing the inspectors to hold such primary election may declare the terms and conditions on which legal electors offering to vote at such election shall be regarded and taken as proper members of the party at whose instance or in whose interest such primary election has been called or may be held, and therefore entitled to vote at such election as a member of that party, and to provide rules and regulations, not inconsistent with this act, for the conduct of such primary. And upon the filing and publication of said rules and regulations, as hereinbefore provided, any person who shall knowingly and willfully violate or attempt to violate the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be fined or imprisoned in the discretion of the court trying the same; provided, that the rule or regulation so violated or attempted to be violated be not inconsistent with the provisions of this act or the law of the State. And the record of the said rules and regulations in the office of the City Clerk and Treasurer shall be received in any court of this State as the evidence of the primary rules and regulations adopted by said party.

SEC. 12. That any recognized member of the party in whose interest such election is held may challenge the right of any person offering to vote at such election and the inspectors there authorized to hold, and holding, such election shall determine on the evidence then furnished whether the person so offering is entitled to vote at such election, and shall receive or reject such votes so offered as to them the evidence for or against the right of the persons so offering to vote shall reasonably warrant.

SEC. 13. That the polls shall be open for such primary elections from 7 A.M. to 7 P. M., and all votes shall be by ballot. The report to the committee so directing such primary elections by the officers holding the same, shall be in writing, with which the original ballots shall be returned and the poll list of the voters made at the time of the voting and the reasons on which any challenged vote was received or rejected. Said committee shall carefully examine the returns and reports so made and thereupon decide who are the persons that have been chosen by the majority vote cast in the primary election, and as candidates of the party for the office of aldermen at the approaching election; and such of the executive offices of the city to be voted for by the aldermen then to be elected as are mentioned in Section 9. The majority vote in a ward shall determine the result in that ward as to the persons to be the candidates of the party in that ward for aldermen and the committeemen from the ward to serve on the party's city executive committee. The majority of the aggregate vote cast in all the wards shall determine who shall be the party's candidates for Mayor and such other of the officials as are mentioned in Section 9. The said committee shall without delay publish in at least one issue each of two daily newspapers published in said city the tabulated statement of the result of the primary and declare who shall have been nominated and for what office, and also for what offices by reason of no person having received a majority of the vote cast there has been a failure to nominate. Thereupon, the second primary shall be held, as may be necessary because of the failure to nominate at the time designated in the first notice, and by the same inspectors appointed to hold the first primary, no other than the first notice being necessary; and at such primary only the two persons who shall have been voted for and received the highest and next highest vote in the first primary for candidates for a particular office shall be voted for in the second primary for that office; unless, either of those shall publicly withdraw by letter addressed to the said committee, in which event the third highest shall be then substituted for the person so withdrawing, or the fourth highest; and so on, if the persons voted for in the first and entitled to be voted for in the second primary shall in said manner withdraw. And the vote shall be canvassed and the result declared in the same manner as herein provided for the first primary.

SEC. 14. That except as herein provided all elections at primary elections under this act shall be regulated by the election law of the said city in force at the time such primary election is held as nearly as the same can be done.

SEC. 15. That if any person who is not entitled to vote under this act shall vote at any primary election held hereunder, or vote more than once, or personate another person, or in any name other than his own legal name, or in any manner disturb the orderly proceedings of any such election, or intimidate, or in any manner attempt to intimidate, or to deter from voting, or bribe or attempt to bribe, any lawful voter, or impose, or attempt to impose on any lawful voter, a ticket or ballot other than it appears on its face to be, such person or persons shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction shall be fined not less than $10.00, or be sentenced to hard labor upon the streets of the city for not more than three months, one or both at the discretion of the court trying the case.

SEC. 16. That the inspectors who may hold such primary elections under this act, and return the votes, proceedings and actions thereof, herein provided, shall before assuming the duties make oath before some officer authorized to administer an oath, that they will honestly, faithfully, and to the best of their ability, do and perform all the duties of their respective offices, and any willful violation of said oath or of any other taken under the provisions of this act, shall be held to be perjury, and shall be punished as provided by the laws of the State for the crime of perjury.

The Chief of Police and the Sheriff of New Hanover County are required to see that good order is preserved at such election, and may arrest and prevent for commitment to the nearest officer clothed with the power of justice of the peace, all persons who may be guilty of any violation of the provisions of this Act.

SEC. 17. That the inspectors holding such primary election under the provisions of this Act may of their own motion, or in case of the challenge of any person offering to vote, if they deem there is any doubt of the propriety under the provisions of this Act of the vote so offered, require of the person so offering to vote his oath as to the fact which authorized the vote, and if the person so offering to vote declines to make the oath so demanded, his vote shall be rejected.

SEC. 18. That the costs and expenses of holding such primary election shall be borne by the city. The compensation of each of the inspectors shall be three dollars a day, and all charges and expenses shall be reasonable.

SEC. 19. That there shall be three inspectors of election appointed for each election precinct at such primary election, and in making the appointment of inspectors the executive committee shall, so far as possible, select qualified voters from a list of names agreed upon by a majority of the candidates before a primary election; provided, such agreed list is filed with the committee on such days as may be designated by the committee.

SEC. 20. That the executive committee of the city, when they are petitioned by one hundred qualified electors of the same political party the committee belongs to, shall call and cause to be held a primary election as provided for in this act; and should the committee refuse to call or hold such primary election as petitioned for, they shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction be punished by imprisonment in the county jail not less than thirty days or more than ninety days.

SEC. 21. That all laws and parts of laws in conflict with the provisions of this Act be and the same are hereby repealed.

SEC. 22. This Act shall be in force from and after the ratification.

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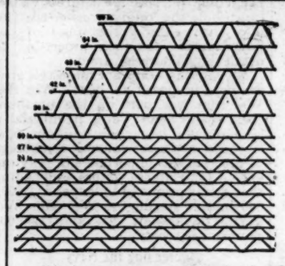

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3 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 43 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 25 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m
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9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
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10 20 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 52 p m
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DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11.33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.35 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.20 P. M., Petersburg 6.21 P. M., Richmond 7.20 P. M., Norfolk 5.50 P. M., Washington 11.50 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.53 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.34 P. M., Warsaw 8 48 P. M., Goldsboro 9.45 P. M., Wilson 10.38 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.35 P. M. Weldon 12.59 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M. Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7 01 A. M., Baltimore 8.23 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.28 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.19 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. — No. 49—Passenger—Due Leave Boston †1.05 P. M., New York †2.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.00 A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.00 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.25 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.30 A. M., Philadelphia 12 09 P. M., Baltimore 2.25 P. M., Washington 3.46 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 8.12 P. M., †Norfolk 2.30 P. M., Weldon 9.43 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 7.00 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6.50 A. M., Sumter 8.15 P. M., Florence 10.00 A. M., Marion 10.40 A. M., Chadbourn 11.44 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.13 A. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.30 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.20 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Train on Midland N. C. Branch leaves Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.55 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10.10 A. M., 4.00 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 11.29 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M.

The Morning Star.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

FRIDAY MORNING, MARCH 10, 1899.

ADMIRAL DEWEY'S HEALTH.

Navy Department Has No Official Advices As to His Condition—His Position a Trying One.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—When his attention was called to the statement coming from Vancouver, to the effect that Admiral Dewey is breaking down and cannot last a month longer, Secretary Long said that he had no information whatever on this point. The stories of the admiral's ill-health have been in circulation with more or less persistency for the past four months. They are all traceable to private reports, and though officers of the navy who have returned from Manila state that Dewey's health, so far as it could be gauged from his appearance, appears to be about the same as it has been for the past years they agree that the private reports probably have a fair basis of fact.

It is not denied by these officers that the admiral has aged in appearance notably within the past year; his hair is undoubtedly whiter and his figure shows signs of that weakness which might be expected to come with advancing years. Dewey will be sixty-two years old next December, and for many years has not been a strong man physically. Meantime, he has had imposed upon him the most severe and exacting duties, so that it is but natural that his frail physique should show the effect of the tremendous strain. It is said by persons familiar with the Philippine climate that the second year is the hardest to bear for a Caucasian, and Dewey soon will begin his second year there. In addition to this he labors under the drawback of having undergone a most severe surgical operation for the relief of his liver. A man needs a sound liver in the Philippines, of all places. These facts lead naval officers to believe reports that Dewey is showing signs of physical strain.

On the other hand, as already stated, there is absolutely no official evidence on file at the department to show that this is true. A full medical history of Admiral Dewey is among the records of the bureau of medicine and surgery. They show every ailment that he has experienced since he has been in the navy, as well as the results of the physical examinations he has undergone when he has been promoted from time to time. But these do not disclose any complaint at this time; the admiral has not been made the subject of a sick report since he went to Manila. Some time ago the President feared that the great strain he was under might over-tax him, so he cabled Dewey through Secretary Long permission to return to the United States. The admiral declined to avail himself of this permission and asked permission to stay, saying that in his opinion duty required that he should finish the task he had begun at Manila. The President accepted this statement and Dewey remains by his own wish; he is free to return to the United States whenever he cares to do so, and the department will relieve him by cabled orders. In that case Captain N. H. Dyer, the commander of the Baltimore, who is the senior captain on the Asiatic station, would be relieved later by one of the rear admirals recently created, nearly all of whom are anxious to assume active flag rank before retirement.

FROM MANILA AND ILOILO.

Skirmishing Continues in the Outlying Districts—Battalions of Troops Landed at Negros.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, March 9, 4.10 P. M.—The Maritime Steam Navigation Company's steamer Nustra Senora del Rosario has arrived here from Iloilo and reports all quiet there, although skirmishing is frequent in the outlying districts.

The Negros' commissioners landed on Friday last at Bacoled and have been doing excellent work since. The St. Paul landed a battalion of troops at Negros on March 4th. Colonel Smith and the other officers were magnificently received and entertained by the natives, who were extremely kind and courteous. The occasion was generally celebrated with enthusiasm.

Within an hour of landing the Signal Corps had established communication with Iloilo, Captain Tilley reporting the news of the reception to General Miller.

Goodall's battalion was subsequently landed at Cebu without opposition and is now stationed in the city.

The steamer Gloria which has arrived here from the northern part of the island of Luzon, reports that the steamer Jan Joaquin is stranded, that her cargo has been jettisoned and that her native crew mutinied on February 8th and murdered the Spanish officers of the vessel. Some of the mutineers are reported to have been arrested at Nigan.

The British first class cruiser Powerful has arrived here from Hong Kong in order to relieve the first class cruiser Narcissus. The United States transport Arizona sailed. All is quiet at Manila.

J. T. MOREHEAD A BANKRUPT.

Liabilities $575,384 — Nominal Assets $42,045—His Business Career.

NEW YORK, March 8.—J. Truner Morehead has filed a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities of $575,384, and nominal assets of $44,045. Of the liabilities, $421,457 is as surety for money borrowed by the North State Improvement Company, of North Carolina. For twenty five years Mr. Morehead was one of the leading men of Leaksville, N. C. He, with others, built the Cape Fear and Yadkin Valley railroad and in that connection indorsed paper of the North State Chemical Company, which, with the railroad company, went into the hands of a receiver in March, 1894. Mr. Morehead made an assignment on January 25, 1894. He afterwards came to New York, and has been interested in the development of aluminum.

Stove manufacturers who met in Chicago yesterday, declared upon adjourning that owing to the increase in prices of raw material, they were compelled to advance prices ten per cent., and still further advances will be made in the near future.

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NEGRO TROOPS PASS RALEIGH.

Their Tour Through the State Marked by Drunken Rioting and Shooting.

SEVERAL PERSONS WOUNDED.

The Affair at Griffin, Ga.—Commanding Officer of the Regiment Makes a Statement—Denounces Georgia Militia and Their Officers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 9.—The tour of the Tenth Immunes through this State was marked by drunken rioting and shooting at people, houses and cattle along the railroad.

During the few minutes that the train stopped here, there was drinking and disorder among the men. Several shots were fired at the ground or into the air. All along the route their conduct was the same.

A dispatch from Henderson to-night says: "The Tenth Immunes (colored) passed to-day over the Seaboard Air Line. They shot at private houses and school children. Several men were wounded. The officers of the regiment seemed to have no control over the men."

Similar reports came from other points between here and Weldon.

The Colonel Makes a Statement.

Col. Charles L. Jones, commanding officer of the regiment, was seen by a representative of the Associated Press immediately upon the arrival of his train in Raleigh, as he had telegraphed ahead in the morning that he desired to make a statement in regard to the shooting affair at Griffin, Ga. He said: "We struck Griffin, Ga., about five o'clock yesterday afternoon. I don't think there were more than a dozen revolvers in the hands of the men. When we pulled out of Vineville, there was some shooting in the air from the train. The men were full of good spirits and had no intention to harm any one. No shots were fired when we went into the town of Griffin. I was surprised to find men lined up on either side of the depot. About fifty of them wore uniforms. I inquired what the trouble was, and was told that the first section had been disorderly and that the citizens wanted to protect themselves. I told my men to be quiet and they were obedient, and there was no disorder. The train stopped about five minutes.

"The train had pulled out about 200 yards when some of the men in the forward part of the car fired some shots. The militia then fired into the rear car. George L. Agee, the man who was standing on the platform, was shot. One bullet passed through his leg, another through his thigh, and still another passed through his body. As the officer's car passed a body of the militia volley was fired into it, notwithstanding the fact that four ladies were at the windows. I was standing on the platform of my car. The wife of one of the captains, who was seated by the window, had a narrow escape. An iron brace prevented another bullet from crashing into the car.

"Up to 3.30 o'clock, when I left Macon yesterday afternoon, not one of the depredations of the white or negro troops at that town had been committed by the Tenth immunes.

Denounces the Militia at Griffin.

"The action of the militia in Griffin was the most cowardly that I have ever seen human beings guilty of. Had they fired into the car from which the one shot was fired, it would have been bad enough, but to fire a volley into a car, when the officer who had charge of the men who fired the volley knew there were ladies in the car, who were unable to protect themselves and who had not been guilty of any breach of law, was beneath men, and demonstrates beyond peradventure that the guilty parties, especially those who ordered it, were cowards of the first water."

Negroes Arrive in Richmond.

RICHMOND, VA., March 9.—One company of the Eighth (colored) Immune regiment, sixty-one strong, arrived here to-night, having been mustered out. They were met at the depot by a police captain and eighteen stalwart policemen, and informed that they had better get rid of any firearms in their possession and disperse as quietly as possible. They took the hint and there was no trouble.

The mayor and chief of police were notified that trains with other negro soldiers who had been very riotous down South were scheduled to pass through the city to-night, but arrangements were made with the railroad authorities to take them over the belt line, which is outside of the corporate limits.

A Statement from Griffin.

GRIFFIN, GA., March 9.—Mayor Davis, and Lieutenant Daniel of the Griffin Rifles, made statements to-day in reply to the letter of Colonel Withrow, of the Tenth immunes, to Governor Candler, asserting that his men had been fired upon yesterday by the State militia at Griffin, and demanding safe conduct to the State line.

Mayor Davis says: "When the reprehensible conduct of the soldiers on the first section of the train was reported to me and the citizens appealed for protection from the next section, which was due here in about an hour, I at once telephoned Governor Candler and asked him to order out the Griffin Rifles. He promised to advise me in twenty minutes whether he would or not, but the second section was nearing the city and immediate action was necessary, and by the power vested in me as mayor, I ordered the Rifles out. My authority for doing so is found in Article 3, Section 1170, of the Civil Code of this State. The Rifles and all those whom I deputized to meet the train were on hand and acted in a manner that was above reproach. As long as I am Mayor of Griffin I shall use all the means in my power to protect the lives and property of her citizens."

In his statement Lieutenant Daniels says: "I received the following order from the Mayor:

"'Commander Griffin Rifles: Owing to imminent danger of riot at the train of colored troops just mustered out in Macon, while passing through Griffin, which will be in a few minutes, bring your command to the passenger depot at once and receive orders from the chief of police for preserving order.

(Signed) "'W. D. DAVIS, Mayor.'

"The above order was issued to me under authority of Section 1170, Code of Georgia. I responded to the order, as was my duty, and reported as instructed to the chief of police at the depot. I lined my command up and down the railroad track about twenty feet from the train of negroes, arms at order. The chief of police ordered half my company about two hundred yards west of the depot. Upon the departure of the train the negro troops fired several volleys directly at the citizens and military. This fire was not returned by my men, but the citizens did return the fire. I had given positive orders to my men not to fire, and they, positively, did not."

TAMPERING WITH MAILS.

Edward F. Bogert, Postmaster at Wilkesbarre, Pa., Arrested by Secret Service Men—Gave Bail.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WILKESBARRE, PA., March 9—Edward F. Bogert, postmaster of Wilkesbarre, was arrested to-day charged with tampering with the United States mails. About two months ago several complaints were lodged with the postal authorities at Washington that mail was disappearing, or that which they received bore evidence of having been opened by a steaming process. The postal authorities subsequently detailed two recret service men on the case under orders of Inspector Gorman. Last night after the mail from Baltimore and Washington arrived, and had been distributed, Bogert entered the office, and was seen to take several letters from his boxes and then go into his private office and carefully draw down a curtain. The detectives went to the office and, without the ceremony of knocking, entered and there found the postmaster seated at his desk, on which lay three letters addressed to prominent business men of this city and all of them opened. Bogert was taken before United States Commissioner Hahn, where he gave bail in the sum of $4,000 for his appearance later.

Mr. Bogert, besides being editor of the *Evening Leader*, of this city, is a member of a large number of lodges, and for the past ten or twelve years has been an active member of the base ball association.

WASHINGTON, March 9.—The arrest of E. F. Bogert, postmaster at Wilkesbarre, Pa., on a charge of tampering with ordinary mail, was reported to Chief Postoffice Inspector Cochran this afternoon. Wilkesbarre is an important Presidential office, and Postmaster Bogert's salary is $3,200 a year. He has been postmaster since May, 1896.

BRYAN IN TEXAS.

Addressed an Audience of Six Thousand People at Houston—The Political Situation Discussed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

HOUSTON, TEXAS, March 9.—Hon. William Jennings Bryan addressed six thousand people at the auditorium to-night. Many were unable to gain admittance. He declared the Chicago platform still stood while that adopted at St. Louis had been violated by its projectors. He denied that prosperity had come, and defied the Republicans to go before the country on the platform, "that we advocated prosperity and we have found it." He alluded to the declaration of the Chicago platform on the subject of trusts, and said that had the Democrats been in control the trusts would have been compelled to obey the law. Regarding the assertion that the President favored expansion because the people demanded it, he said Mr. McKinley should not gauge the public from the rear end of a train.

UNSUCCESSFUL ATTEMPT.

To Rob a Small Town in Missouri—One of the Robbers Killed.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEOSHO, MO., March 9.—An unsuccessful attempt has been made by an organized gang to hold up and rob Noel, a small town in McDonald county. The citizens had been warned and were prepared for the gang. One robber was shot and killed by Louis Smith, a saloon-keeper, and another of the robbers was arrested. The killing nipped the robbery in the bud, the remainder of the gang escaping. There is nothing on the dead robber to identify him.

WINNIE DAVIS' MONUMENT.

Design Approved — To be Erected by Daughters of the Confederacy.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RICHMOND, VA., March 9.—The design of the statue to be erected in Hollywood over the grave of Miss Winnie Davis, the "Daughter of the Confederacy," has been chosen and approved by Mrs. Davis. The design, which is by Zolvy, of New York, is the figure of a sitting angel. It is to be of Italian marble and will be erected by the Daughters of the Confederacy.

WARM WIRELETS.

Queen Victoria has postponed her departure to the south of France until Saturday next, in consequence of the storm in the channel.

The National Tube Works Company, Pittsburg, Pa., announces that an increase of wages of 10 per cent. will be granted its six thousand employes, to take effect March 16th.

Neil Burgess, the actor and stage manager, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. His total liabilities are $104,059, all unsecured; no assets, not even a wardrobe.

A passenger train, west-bound, ran into the rear of a freight train near Altoona, Pa. John Tarr, engineer, and George Keim, fireman, were killed. None of the passengers was hurt.

An examination of the Pope's wound was made yesterday by Dr Mazzoni, who found it was making excellent progress. His Holiness hopes to recommence his receptions speedily.

Rev. Dr. DeWitt Talmage, who for nearly four years has been the pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Washington, D. C., has sent a letter to the session of that church tendering his resignation.

The peace conference, otherwise the congress of representatives of the Powers, called by the Czar to discuss the possibility of taking steps toward a general disarmament, will meet May 18th, at the Hague.

The fight scheduled to take place last night between Tommy Ryan of Syracuse and Australian Jimmy Ryan, at Hot Springs, Ark., did not occur, the latter claiming there was not enough money in sight.

Citizens of Tacoma, Washington, indignant at the many recent robberies and hold-ups, held a public meeting and decided to form a vigilance committee. The police department was denounced as incompetent and a citizen's patrol organized.

At the request of the Catholic priest, it has been decided to hang Sam Parslow and Cordelia Poirier, at St. Scholastique, Canada, to-day, back to back, with a heavy black curtain between them. They were convicted of murdering the woman's husband.

So many sensational publications have been made concerning the alleged disturbed affairs in Santiago that the Secretary of War cabled to General Wood to ascertain the facts. General Wood has replied that there is absolutely no ground whatever for apprehension or anxiety as reported.

GREAT BRITAIN'S PREPARATIONS.

New Warships to be Built and the Navy Personnel to be Increased.

TO MEET ALL EMERGENCIES.

One Million Three Hundred Pounds Sterling to be Expended on Naval Base in China — Two Iron-Clads and Five Armored Cruisers.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 9.—In introducing the navy estimates in the House of Commons to-day, the First Lord of the Admiralty, the Rt. Hon. Geo. J. Goschen, said: Never had estimates been submitted under more unique circumstances. Ahead was the conference for international disarmament, while behind were the incidents of last November, and while a comparison of the naval strength of the various countries was in everybody's mouth, the most striking confidence was shown in British preparedness to meet all emergencies.

The continental powers, he said, were disturbed by the allegation that Great Britain was preparing with a particular purpose for aggressive action; but, the minister asserted, the idea never entered the mind of the government. He then proceeded to detail the naval programme.

Mr. Goschen said her majesty's government proposed to make Wei Hai Wei (the war port on the northern coast of the Shan Tung peninsula) a second naval base, pointing out that it would be a most valuable anchorage of the greatest importance in any operations in Chinese waters, and adding that it was proposed to expend 1,300,000 pounds sterling on Wei Hai Wei during the present year and 1,500,000 pounds next year.

Increasing the Navy.

Continuing, Mr. Goschen informed the House that the personnel of the navy for the coming year would be increased by 4,250 men, making a total of 110,640, at a cost of 7,474,000 pounds.

Referring to ship building, he said the coming programme had been framed after consideration of the programmes of the other powers. A study of these programmes, he pointed out, was not reassuring. The United States, Russia, France, Japan, Italy and Germany had under construction 685,000 tons of warships or 225,000 tons more than was contemplated in the present estimates. This had forced the government to draw up a new programme. Excluding last year's supplemental programme, it provided for two iron-clads, two armored cruisers and three smaller cruisers, of specially high speed.

The money required, therefore, for the coming year was 550,000 pounds, and the total under the ship building vote, including the liabilities for last year's original and supplementary programmes, would be 12,817,000 pounds, an increase of over 2,000,000 pounds. The total estimates were 26,594,000 pounds.

For armament Mr. Goschen asked an increase of 161,000 pounds, chiefly for the construction of guns, but also for ammunition for practice, which, he asserted, was a matter of enormous importance, as shown by the late war.

More Warships.

After speaking of the necessity for an increased ship-building vote, he said these were the votes required by the present situation. "But," he added, "would that the action of other nations, resulting from the coming international conference, could make it possible for us to diminish or modify the programme while, of course, maintaining our standard and relative position."

Mr. Goschen then announced in behalf of her majesty's government that if the other great naval powers were prepared to diminish their programmes, Great Britain was prepared to modify hers. But if the Czar's hopes were not realized, the programme would have to stand, and he, (Mr. Goschen) expressed the hope that those who were proposing to attack the country's expenditure would not attempt to dissuade the people from bearing the taxation necessary to carry on the duties of the empire.

In the Event of War.

Mr. Goschen emphasized the purely defensive objects of the naval increase, but said that in view of the construction by her rivals of fast cruisers with the avowed purpose of preying upon British commerce and Great Britain's food supply in the event of war, England was forced to build five new cruisers particularly swift, in order to circumvent these schemes. He also said that the four armored cruisers now being built under the original programme would be the most powerful ships in the world.

In conclusion, the First Lord of the Admiralty said the estimates were "simply the embodiment of a peace-loving, determined nation." [Cheers.]

Senator Jones, of Arkansas, chairman of the National Democratic Committee, is in a precarious condition, owing to his liability to another dangerous attack of heart-trouble at any time.

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NORTH CAROLINA SOUNDS.

The Effect of the Recent Blizzard. Millions of Fish Frozen to Death.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NORFOLK, Va., March 9.— The steam yacht Senator, owned by Charles H. Fuller, a wealthy resident of Providence, R. I., arrived here this afternoon from the North Carolina sounds after having been frozen in during the big blizzard. Some little anxiety had been felt for the party, but Mr. Fuller stated to-day that they had plenty of food and fuel aboard and did not suffer. He also stated that millions of fish froze to death and that as soon as the ice broke they floated to the surface, and when he left the natives were gathering them by the thousands. The Senator goes from here up the James river, after which the yacht will go by easy stages to her home port, New Haven.

The North Atlantic squadron, under Rear Admiral Sampson, will sail from Havana, to-day, by way of Cienfuagos, Guatanamo, and Kingston, Jamaica, to Porto Rico. Major General Lee, commander of the Seventh army corps, will go on the battleship Texas to Cienfugos, returning from that point by rail.

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